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1. GOM ERADICATION AND INTERDICTION STATISTICS FOR THE PAST WEEK ARE OUTLINED BELOW:

ERADICATION FEB 6/FEB 12

U.S. ZONE #'S: I II III TOTAL MEXICAN ZONE #'S: 5/9 3/4 1/2

A. POPPY FIELDS 1,349 66 226 1641 (CUMULATIVE TOTAL FOR YEAR - 5,940) B. HECTARES 95.10 6.20 12.27 113.57 (CUMULATIVE TOTAL FOR YEAR - 519.66) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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C. MARIHUANA 9 5 136 150 (CUMULATIVE TOTAL FOR YEAR - 668) D. HECTARES .70 1.20 20.79 22.69 (CUMULATIVE TOTAL FOR YEAR - 94.51) E. MIXED FIELDS 7 0 2 9 (CUMULATIVE TOTAL FOR YEAR - 29) F. HECTARES .50 0 .04 .54

### (CUMULATIVE TOTAL FOR YEAR - 4.65)

#### INTERDICTION FEB 6/FEB 12

THIS PERIOD CUMULATIVE TOTAL A. KG. HEROIN 1.194 28.443 B. KG. OPIUM .400 15.820 C. KG. POPPY SEEDS 0 6.2 D. HEROIN LABS 0 3 E. KG. COCAINE 2.471 4.611 F. KG. MARIHUANA 5,630.3 97,354 G. KG. MARIHUANA SEEDS 217 537.95 H. KG. HASHISH 0 2.65 I. LITERS HASHISH OIL 0 0 J. D.U. DANGEROUS DRUGS 11,154 491,927 K. ARRESTS-MEXICAN 183 628 L. ARRESTS-USA 12 19 M. ARRESTS-OTHER 0 7 N. VEHICLES 28 106 O. WEAPONS 123 310 P. AMMUNITION 14.470 18.926 Q. PESOS 72,230 156,740 R. DOLLARS 3,150 9,020 S. AIRCRAFT

2. CUMULATIVE ERADICATION FIGURES FOR THE FIRST SIX WEEKS OF 1978 HAVE BEEN COMPARED WITH CUMULATIVE ERADICATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FIGURES FOR THE FIRST SIX WEEKS OF 1977. 5,940 POPPY FIELDS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED THUS FAR IN 1978 AS COMPARED WITH 9,202 DESTROYED BY THIS TIME LAST YEAR, A DECREASE OF 35 PERCENT. 520 HECTARES OF FIELDS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED IN 1978 AS COMPARED WITH 1,866 HECTARES DESTROYED LAST YEAR, A DECREASE OF 72 PERCENT. THIS DECREASE IN STATISTICS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE DECREASE REPORTED AND DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY.

- 3. THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE PROGRAM COMPLETED IT'S THIRD WEEK ON FEBRUARY 14, 1978. DURING THE WEEK 54 RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS WERE REPORTED. DEA PARTICIPATED IN 29 (53 PERCENT OF THE FLIGHTS. THE NUMBER OF FLIGHTS MADE WAS LIMITED BY ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS IN SEVERAL AREAS. THE NUMBER OF FLIGHTS MADE IN SOUTHERN MEXICO WAS FURTHER REDUCED BY A SHORTAGE OF AIRCRAFT DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS. THAT SHORTAGE EVIDENTLY RESULTED FROM THE REASSIGNMENT OF AIRCRAFT, MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS AND MECHANICAL DIFFICULTIES.
- 4. ALMOST ALL OF THE SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS WERE MADE OUTSIDE THE ESTABLISHED ZONES AND KNOWN POPPY GROWING

AREAS. 48 SECTORS WERE COMPLETED. ONLY 2 FIELDS WERE LOCATED. NO FIELDS HAVE THUS FAR BEEN FOUND OUTSIDE OF U.S. ZONES I, II, AND III (MEXICAN ZONES 1,2,3,4, AND 6). RECONNAISSANCE TEAMS WERE STATIONED AT VARIOUS TIMES THROUGHOUT THE WEEK AT OAXACA, MINATITLAN, SAN LUIS POTOSI, PACHUCA HIDALGO, MEXICO CITY AND TAMPICO.

5. LISTED BELOW ARE THE SECTORS COMPLETED DURING THE LAST WEEK. NO SECTORS IN ZONE I WERE COVERED.

POSITIVE SECTORS:

ZONE III SECTOR 304 (2 FIELDS) (SECTOR NOT COMPLETED)

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NEGATIVE SECTORS:

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ZONE II - SECTORS 196, 204, 223, 236.

ZONE III - SECTORS 277,281,282,283,284,289,291,297,303.

OUTSIDE ZONES - SECTORS 149,164,168,178,179,180,185,165, 205,206,207,208,209,210,211,221,224,225,226,227,237,238, 239,240,241,260,261,262,263,266,272,293,300,301.

6. RECONNAISSANCE WAS UNABLE TO COMPLETE SECTOR 295 IN ZONE III, BUT THE GOM CAMPAIGN MAP INDICATES THAT FIELDS HAVE BEEN FOUND IN THAT SECTOR. SECTOR 157 IN ZONE III WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS NEGATIVE, BUT A NEWER GOM REPORT HAS BEEN RECEIVED WHICH INDICATES THAT 21 FIELDS WERE LOCATED IN THAT SECTOR.

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